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Digging Up the Dead: The Story

PLOT SUMMARY

After an explosive fight with her father, Crispin Leads, a talented young scholar who studies burial rituals, flees from an archeological dig in the Egyptian desert.

In London she stumbles across evidence that the fabled Curse of King Tut's Tomb was actually an elaborate ruse to cover up ancient thefts. To dig up the truth, she returns to the burial grounds in the Valley of the Kings. There she must outwit con men, overcome lifelong insecurities, identify the true culprits behind a series of murders and, ultimately, unravel dark family secrets.

Digging Up the Dead is the second installment in the Crispin Leads Mystery Series. Readers met Crispin a year ago in the debut thriller, *Shrouded*. In that adventure, Crispin's research trip to the Vatican is derailed when she is witness to a murder and becomes embroiled in an international plot involving the Shroud of Turin.

TIE-IN WITH CENTENNIAL OF DISCOVERY OF TUT'S TOMB

Los Angeles is currently hosting the largest collection of King Tut artifacts ever to be exhibited internationally. When the exhibition leaves Los Angeles in January, it will make a ten-city tour of Europe. There are 150 objects in "King Tut: Treasures of the Golden Pharaoh." By comparison the famed 1970s blockbuster tour of Tut artifacts had only 55 pieces. Proceeds from the tour will be used for continued construction of Cairo's new Grand Egyptian Museum.

This all sets the stage for the 100th anniversary of the great discovery on November 4, 2022.

WHO WILL LOVE THIS BOOK

This book is perfect for anyone who craves a good thriller with a complex plot and a female lead character who can hold her own against personal demons and institutional authority. Readers who can't get enough of exotic locations and international intrigue, with just a hint of flimflam and skullduggery, will also enjoy *Digging up the Dead*.

